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SUBJECT: TANZANIA PRESS COMMENTS ON VISIT BY PRIME MINISTER OF
JAMAICA

1. GOVERNMENT-OWNED DAILY NEWS OF MAY 19 DEVOTED FRONT PAGE
EDITORIAL TO WELCOMING JAMAICAN PRIME MINISTER MANLEY AS
"A DEDICATED CHAMPION OF POLITICAL, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE."

2. BEGIN TEXT: THE PRIME MINISTER OF JAMAICA, NDUGU MICHAEL
MANLEY, ARRIVED IN DAR ES SALAAM YESTERDAY FOR A TWO-DAY VISIT
TO TANZANIA.

IN WELCOMING HIM TANZANIANS ARE PAYING FITTING TRIBUTE TO
A DEDICATED CHAMPION OF POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE.
HE PREACHES AND WORKS FOR FREEDOM AND EQUALITY AT HOME AND ABROAD.

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THIS IS NOT HIS FIRST VISIT TO TANZANIA; AND WE HOPE IT WILL
NOT BE HIS LAST. HOWEVER, THERE IS POIGNANCY IN THIS PARTICULAR
VISIT, THE SECOND WITHIN THE LAST THREE YEARS.

NDUGU MANLEY ARRIVES FRESH FROM TWO TRIUMPHS. FIRST, HE GOT
ON TOP OF THE IMPERIALIST-BACKED DESTABILISATION PROGRAMME LAUNCHED
TOWARDS THE END OF LAST YEAR. SECONDLY, HE EMERGED VICTORIOUS
IN LAST DECEMBER'S POLLS WHEN HIS PARTY, THE PEOPLE'S NATIONALIST

PARTY (PNP), WON 47 SEATS IN THE 60-MEMBER LOWER HOUSE.

BOTH VICTORIES WERE ENDORSEMENT OF PNP'S "PEOPLE-ORIENTED PROGRAMMES" WHICH HAVE BEEN PURSUED UNWERVINGLY EVER SINCE THE PNP OUSTED THE PRO-BRITISH AND RIGHT-WING JAMAICA LABOUR PARTY.

"PEOPLE-ORIENTED PROGRAMMES" ARE FOUNDED ON THE POLICY OF SOCIALISM AND SELF-RELIANCE. THIS WAS A LOGICAL CHOICE FOR THE ISLAND WITH TWO WORLDS - 90 PER CENT OF THE TWO MILLION PEOPLE ARE POOR; 10 PER CENT ARE AFFLUENT.

THE ENTIRE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC FABRIC HAD TO BE TORN APART. THE LABOUR PARTY HAD PROMISED REFORM IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR WHICH IS THE BACKBONE OF THE JAMAICAN ECONOMY. IT REMAINED A PROMISE UNTIL THE PNP TOOK OVER POWER.

AGRARIAN REFORMS WERE UNDERTAKEN. FOR EXAMPLE, TWO MAIN SUGAR ESTATES, SOME 36,000 ACRES IN ALL, EACH WITH A FACTORY, WERE TAKEN OVER AND SOLD TO THE WORKERS WHO HAVE NOW FORMED COOPERATIVES. THERE ARE IN ADDITION OVER 10,000 PIONEER CORPS, YOUTHS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO "MAKE IT", INVOLVED IN A NUMBER OF PRODUCTIVE CO-OPERATIVES.

CENTRAL TO SOCIALISM IS THE OWNERSHIP OF THE MEANS OF PRODUCTION. PNP TOOK STEPS TO RESTORE THE ECONOMY INTO JAMAICAN HANDS. THE GOVERNMENT MOVED INTO THE BAUXITE INDUSTRY, FOR JAMAICA IS THE SECOND LARGEST PRODUCER OF OF BAUXITE. IT ACQUIRED 51 PER CENT OF THE SHARES OWNED BY ALCOA, THE LARGEST US ALUMINIUM COMPANY. SIMILAR DEALS WERE MADE WITH OTHER TRANSNATIONAL BAUXITE-MINING FIRMS.

RESTRUCTURING OF THE ECONOMY HAS ALWAYS INVOLVED SACRIFICE AND THE TIGHTENING OF BELTS. AND NDUGU MANLEY HAS SHOWN THE WAY. HE SLASHED HIS 22,000 DOLLAR SALARY (ABOUT 180,000/-) TO 16,000 DOLLARS A YEAR. THERE WERE SIMILAR CUTS FOR ALL MPS.
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INTERNATIONALLY, JAMAICA UNDER NDUGU MANLEY HAS FOUGHT, AND IS FIGHTING, FOR FREEDOM IN DIGNITY, THIRD WORLD COOPERATION AND THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER.

JAMAICA HAS REMAINED STEADFAST TO THE LIBERATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA. HER COMMITMENT HAS NOT BEEN MERE RHETORIC. SHE HAS OFFERED MATERIAL AND MORAL ASSISTANCE TO THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS.

ON TUESDAY NDUGU MANLEY SPOKE FOR THE THIRD WORLD ON THIS QUESTION IN MAPUTO. AND WE SAY: WE SPEAK WITH YOU; WE ARE WITH YOU AL THE WAY. KARIBU NDUGU MANLEY. END TEXT.
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